DEPARTM

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

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Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Generic Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On May 28, 2010, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) guidance related to the "generic" clearance process. Generally, this is an expedited process by which agencies may obtain OMB's approval of collection of information requests that are "usually voluntary, low-burden, and uncontroversial collections," do not raise any substantive or policy issues, and do not require policy or methodological review. The process requires the submission of an overarching plan that defines the scope of the individual collections that would fall under its umbrella. On October 23, 2011, OMB approved our initial request to use the generic clearance process under control number 0938–1148 (CMS-10398). It was last approved on April 26, 2021, via the standard PRA process which included the publication of 60- and 30-day **Federal Register** notices. The scope of the April 2021 umbrella accounts for Medicaid and CHIP State plan amendments, waivers, demonstrations, and reporting. This **Federal Register** notice seeks public comment on one or more of our collection of information requests that we believe are generic and fall within the scope of the umbrella. Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding our burden estimates or any other aspect of this collection of information, including: the necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions, the accuracy of the estimated burden, ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected, and the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

DATES: Comments must be received by **[INSERT DATE 14 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: When commenting, please reference the applicable form number (see below) and the OMB control number (0938-1148). To be assured consideration, comments and recommendations must be submitted in any one of the following ways:

1. *Electronically.* You may send your comments electronically to http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for "Comment or Submission" or "More Search Options" to find the information collection document(s) that are accepting comments.

2. *By regular mail.* You may mail written comments to the following address:

CMS, Office of Strategic Operations and Regulatory Affairs

Division of Regulations Development

Attention: CMS-10398 (#64)/OMB control number: 0938-1148

Room C4-26-05

7500 Security Boulevard

Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850.

To obtain copies of a supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed collection(s) summarized in this notice, you may access CMS' Web Site at https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/PaperworkReductionActof1995/PRA-Listing.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William N. Parham at (410) 786-4669.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Following is a summary of the use and burden associated with the subject information collection(s). More detailed information can be found in the collection's supporting statement and associated materials (see **ADDRESSES**).

Generic Information Collection

1. *Title of Information Collection:* Medicaid Section 1115 Substance Use Disorder

(SUD) Demonstration: Federal Meta-Analysis Support; *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Use:* Starting in 2015, in response to the opioid epidemic, CMS offered states the flexibility to test Medicaid coverage of a full substance use disorder (SUD) treatment service array in the context of overall SUD service delivery transformation through the authority of section 1115 demonstrations. In 2017, CMS modified the requirements for SUD section 1115 demonstrations to improve access to clinically appropriate treatment for OUD and other SUDs, to better support the development and expansion of comprehensive treatment strategies, and to incorporate improved progress and outcome monitoring. In 2018, CMS awarded the Federal Meta-Analysis Support contract to RTI International to understand the overall effectiveness of the groups of demonstrations with similar features and how variations in state demonstration features and the context in which they are implemented contribute to differences in effectiveness. The meta-analysis includes multiple rounds of qualitative data collection. The first round of interviews (both, Characteristics Interviews and Implementation Interviews) have been completed. This March 2022 collection of information request seeks OMB's approval for a second round (State-level Stakeholder Virtual Interviews) of data collection activities. The purpose is to learn about the perspectives of other types of stakeholders important to implementing the demonstration. Respondents would include stakeholders with differing perspectives, including leadership of behavioral health service providers and leadership of MCOs or third-party administrators in states with fee-for-service SUD treatment services. *Form Number:* CMS-10398 (#64) (OMB control number: 0938–1148); *Frequency:* Once; *Affected Public:* State, Local, or Tribal Governments, and the Private sector; *Number of Respondents:* 90; *Total Annual Responses:* 90; *Total Annual Hours:* 83. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact: Danielle Daly at 410-786-0897.)

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